U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

I P E		Applic	cation Number	10/728,132		
TRANSMITTAL FEB 1 3: 2004 FORM (to be used to all correspondence after initial filing) Total Number of Pages in This Submission 8			Date	December 4, 2003		
			Named Inventor	Peter J. Hopper et al. Unknown Unknown 100-23700 (P05749)		
			Art Unit			
			ner Name			
			ey Docket Number			
	ENCL	OSURES	(check all that apply)			
Fee Transmittal Form		nment Papers n Application)		After Allowance Communication to Group		
Fee Attached	☐ Drawing(s)			Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences		
Amendment/Response	Licensing-related Papers		d Papers	Appeal Communication to Group (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief)		
After Final (Response)	Petition Routing Slip (PTO/SB/69) and Accompanying Petition			Proprietary Information		
Affidavits/declaration(s)	Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application			☐ Status Inquiry		
Extension of Time Request			ey, Revocation espondence Address	Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below):		
Express Abandonment Request	al Disclaimer		Return Receipt Postcard Certificate of Mailing			
Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO- 1449 and two references		lumber of CD(s)				
Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)	Rema	Please charge any necessary fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 502305. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is attached for this purpose.				
Response to Missing Parts/ Incomplete Application						
Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53	:					
SIGNA	TURE OF	APPLIC	ANT, ATTORNEY, O	R AGENT		
Firm or Individual name Mark C. Pickering,	Reg. No. 36	,239	-			
Signature Mul C. Piil.						
Date February 10, 2004		/	7			
	CE	RTIFICA	TE OF MAILING			
hereby certify that this correspondence is addressed to: Commissioner for Patents	s being depo , P.O. Box 14	sited with 450, Alex	n the United States Pos andria, VA 22313-1450	tal Service as first class mail in an envelope on this date: February 10, 2004		
Typed or printed name Robin L. King	1 (, ,		r			
Signature	V d	2	·	Date February 10, 2004		

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.5. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.



I THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of) Group Art Unit: Unknown)
Peter J. Hopper et al.) Examiner: Unknown
Application No. 10/728,132) SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION) <u>DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</u>
Filed: December 4, 2003)
For: VERTICAL MOS TRANSISTOR)
	,

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants submit herewith information of which applicants are aware, which applicants believe may be material to the examination of this application and in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.56.

This Information Disclosure Statement:

- (a) [] accompanies the new patent application submitted herewith. 37 CFR § 1.97(a).
- (b) [X] is filed within three months after the filing date of the application or within three months after the date of entry of the national stage of a PCT application as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.491.
- (c) [] as far as is known to the undersigned, is filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits.

PATENT

(d) []	is filed after the first office action and more than three months after the application's filing date or PCT national stage date of entry filing but, as far as is known to the undersigned, prior to the mailing date of either a final rejection or a notice of allowance, whichever occurs first, and is accompanied by either the fee (\$180) set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(p) or a certification as
	specified in 37 CFR § 1.97(e), as checked below.

(e) [] is filed after the mailing date of either a final rejection or a notice of allowance, whichever occurred first, and is accompanied by the fee (\$180) set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(i)(1) and a certification as specified in 37 CFR § 1.97(e), as checked below. This document is to be considered as a petition requesting consideration of the information disclosure statement.

[If either of boxes (d) or (e) are checked above, the following "certification" under 37 CFR § 1.97(e) may need to be completed.] The undersigned certifies that:

- (f) [] Each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication mailed from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement.
- (g) [] No item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication mailed from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement.

A list of the patent(s) or publications(s) is set forth on the attached Form PTO-1449 (Modified). A copy of the items on PTO-1449 (Modified) is supplied herewith:

(h) [[X] each	(i) [] none	(j) [] only those	listed below
-------	----------	--------------	-------------------	--------------

Those patent(s) or publication(s) which are marked with an asterisk (*) in the attached form PTO-1449 (Modified) are not supplied because they were previously cited by or submitted to the Office in a prior application no. ______ filed _____ and relied upon in this application for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

A concise explanation of relevance of the described above and attached information is:

- (k) [X] not given
- (I) [] given for each listed item
- (m) [] given for only non-English language listed item(s) [Required]
- (n) [] is in the form of an English language copy of a Search Report from a foreign patent office, issued in a counterpart application, which refers to the relevant portions of the references [copy attached].

While the information disclosed in this Information Disclosure Statement may be "material" pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.56, it is not intended to constitute an admission that the

information referred to is "prior art" for this invention unless specifically designated as such.

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56(a) exists. It is submitted that the Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 CFR § 1.98 and MPEP § 609 and the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the above-described and attached information.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 502305 for any fees required in connection with the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement. A duplicate copy of this Notice is enclosed for this purpose. In particular, in the event that an Office Action has cross in the mail with this Information Disclosure Statement, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the above-named deposit account for any fees required pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) or 1.17 (i) (1).

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 2-10-04

Mark C. Pickering Reg. No. 36,239

Attorney for Assignee

Atty. Docket No: 100-23700 (P05749)

P.O. Box 300

Petaluma, CA 94953-0300

Direct Telephone: (707) 762-5583 Main Telephone: (707) 762-5500

Facsimile: (707) 762-5504 Customer No. 33402

	INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CHATION				Applicant(s) Applicant(s) Potent I Hopper et el				
(Use several sheets if necess (159)			Peter J. Hopper et al. Filing Date December 4, 2003			Group Art Unit Unknown			
		TE TRACES		U.S. PAT	ENT DOCUMENTS				
EXAMINER INITIAL	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	Peter J. Hopper et al.		CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE	
		U.S. Appln. 10/728,319						12/04/03	
		U.S. Appln. 10/727,838		Peter J. Hopper et al.				12/04/03	
		-							
				FOREIG	N PATENT DOCUMENTS				
	REF	REF DOCUMENT NUMBER DATE			COUNTRY		SUBCLASS	Trans YES	NO NO
	<i>:</i>				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
				OTHER	DOCUMENTS (Including	Author, Title, Do	ate, Pertinent Pa	ges, Etc.)	
	_ -		·	····	•				
XAMINER	<u> </u>				DATE CONSIDERED				
		l if citation considered, whether or lude copy of this form with next co			ce with MPEP Section 609;	Draw line throug	th citation if not	in conform	ance and